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In re application of:

Mark ALLMEN, et al

Art Unit: 2613

Application No.: 09/809,036

Examiner: Behrooz M. Senfi

Confirmation No.: 5594

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For: BIT-RATE ALLOCATION SYSTEM
FOR OBJECT-BASED VIDEO
ENCODING

Customer No:

26694

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 4, 2004, the period for responding to which having been extended for one month to October 4, 2004 by the concurrently filed Request for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of the Claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.